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Hello.

You can't help but hear the buzz about the honey bee crisis. And while researchers frantically scrutinize the issues, the pollinators who bring us Michigan's marvelous apples, blueberries, peaches, and cucumbers — to name a few — face unsustainable challenges.

My husband and I are passionate about honey bees, and speak to many groups. When speaking at schools, each child receives a free copy of *If I Could Sit on a Bee's Knees*. Children reading books is a marvelous thing - even better, we think, if they're reading about bees! The book covers the common questions we're asked. We've given away thousands of copies.

Perhaps we're cultivating the next generation of beekeepers, or minimally — bee protectors.

We're delighted to present you with your own copies as well. One of every three bites of food requires pollination. Thank you for your efforts to protect these "Angels of Agriculture" of behalf of Michigan's vital agriculture and tourism industries.

I welcome your questions, input, and referrals for opportunities to share more about honey bees.

Best regards,

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PS: A cat winds his way through the story on every page spread except two. Children enjoy looking for him.